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TYPE II QUANTUM WELL MID-

INFRARED OPTOELECTRONIC

DEVICES

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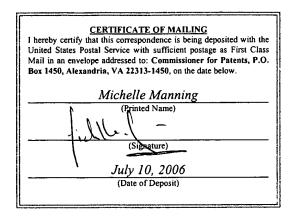
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated February 9, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The initial deadline for responding to the Office Action expires on May 9, 2006. Therefore, with the granting of the accompanying petition for a two month extension of time, Applicants believe this response is timely filed.

The Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. For the purpose of charging said Deposit Account, a duplicate of page one and the signature page of this response is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: